

## **City of Asheville**

### **2011/2012 Proposed Fees & Charges**

**DEPARTMENT:** Building Safety

**SERVICE NAME:** Park Use Fee – Pack Square Park

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** As we near the completion of the first year permitting events in Pack Square Park, the majority of uses reveal that the Roger McGuire Green and Reuter Terrace would be best made available for reservation as two independent units. Currently the Green and the Terrace are reserved as a single event space at the rate of \$500/3 hours, \$100/ea addl hour. Outdoor areas suitable for events downtown are at a premium. Most events that reserve the Green do not require use of the Terrace, yet it is part of the space lease due to the current fee structure. This change will be consistent with street closure policy changes relating to reservation of Pack Square sidewalks, streets and park properties. The division will create three separate event sites rather than two, of which may be combined or used independently based on the type and scale of events:

1. Raised Lawn: Includes potential to close streets of North & South Pack Square (according to policy restrictions, at applicable street/meter closure fees.)
2. Roger McGuire Green: Includes potential use of City/County parking lot (according to policy restrictions, at applicable meter closure fees.)
3. Reuter Terrace.

**Current Fee:** Combined with the rental of Roger McGuire Green

**Proposed Fee:** \$100 for 3-hours with an additional \$25 per hour

**Additional Revenue from Fee Change:** \$1,400

## **City of Asheville 2011/2012 Proposed Fees & Charges**

**DEPARTMENT:** Fire & Rescue

**SERVICE NAME:** Fire Lane Violation

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** The existing fine for parking in fire lanes and obstructing fire hydrants was raised by \$10 in about 2005. Prior to that change, the \$25 fine had been in place since 1945. This change to a \$50 civil fine would emphasize the seriousness of the offense but still be approximately one half of the state amount associated when using a police issued uniform traffic citation. Also the increase would identify this action as a life safety issue, as opposed to an improper parking issue.

**Current Fee:** \$35

**Proposed Fee:** \$50

**Additional Revenue from Fee Change:** \$7,000

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**DEPARTMENT:** Fire

**SERVICE NAME:** ETJ Fire Inspection Surcharge

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** See Attached Slides

**Current Fee:** Same as In-City Inspections

**Proposed Fee:** All inspections in the ETJ are charged a 20% surcharge.

All services that directly enhance fire service operations  
are charged an additional 10% surcharge.

**Additional Revenue from Fee Change:** \$25,000

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**DEPARTMENT:** Planning

**SERVICE NAME:** Book Fee

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** This fee would recover the cost of reprinting books and other materials. The specific book that this would initially apply to is called Historic Architectural Resources of Downtown Asheville, North Carolina. The cost to reprint the book is \$17.68.

**Current Fee:** None

**Proposed Fee:** Cost of Reprinting

**Additional Revenue from Fee Change:** \$1,000

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**DEPARTMENT:** Planning

**SERVICE NAME:** HRC Minor Works

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** Currently we charge for Major works only, which are projects that are reviewed by staff and the HRC. We are proposing a new fee for review of Minor Works, which are projects that do not involve a substantial change to the exterior of a historic structure and are reviewed by staff only.

**Current Fee:** None

**Proposed Fee:** \$25

**Additional Revenue from Fee Change:** \$3,500

## **City of Asheville 2011/2012 Proposed Fees & Charges**

**DEPARTMENT:** Civic Center

**SERVICE NAME:** Coat Check and Wristband Fees

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** Both fees are revenue generating for the Civic Center. The coat check will allow for the provision of staff for patrons to check their coats for events at the Civic Center. In addition to generating revenue, the wristband fee will insure patrons are of age to purchase alcohol drinks or beverages at Civic Center events.

**Coat Check:**

**Current Fee:** None

**Proposed Fee:** \$1.00

**Additional Revenue from Fee Change:** \$6,000

**Wristband:**

**Current Fee:** None

**Proposed Fee:** \$2.00

**Additional Revenue from Fee Change:** \$40,000

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### **2011/2012 Proposed Fees & Charges**

**DEPARTMENT:** Parks & Recreation/ Golf Fund

**SERVICE NAME:** Tournament Fees

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** Below is a list of tournament fees at the golf course that have been in use for at least 2 years but have not gone through the fees and charges process with City Council.

Golf course open to general public during tournament

20-60 player tournament

Weekday: \$28 green fee and golf cart

Weekend: \$33 green fee and golf cart

Over 60 player tournament

Weekday: \$20 green fee and golf cart

Weekend: \$25 green fee and golf cart

Golf course closed to general public during tournament

Minimum 88 player tournament

Weekday: \$20 green fee and golf cart

Weekend: \$25 green fee and golf cart

## **City of Asheville 2011/2012 Proposed Fees & Charges**

**DEPARTMENT:** Transportation/Transit Fund

**SERVICE NAME:** Ticket Books

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** Ticket books are purchased by individuals. Purchasing the 11 ticket book provides some small saving over the cash fare. The cash fare is \$1. The currently 11 ticket book provides a \$.19 cent savings. A ticket book of 10 tickets makes more logical sense than 11 tickets. The Transit Master Plan consultants recommended that individual tickets in a ticket book be worth \$.85 cents; at 11 tickets this would be a cost of \$9.35 per ticket book and at 10 tickets the cost would be \$8.50 per book.

<b>Current Fee:</b>	11 Ticket Book	\$9.00	Adults
		\$4.50	Seniors, Individuals with Disabilities, Medicare Recipients, Elementary, Middle & High School Students
<b>Proposed Fee:</b>	10 Ticket Book	\$9.00	Adults
		\$4.50	Seniors, Individuals with Disabilities, Medicare Recipients, Elementary, Middle & High School Students
<b>Revenue Gain: \$1,220</b>			



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**DEPARTMENT:** Transportation/Transit Fund

**SERVICE NAME:** Summer Pass

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** Ending the Summer Pass would not have any impact. Last year, City Council authorized the sale of Monthly Passes to Elementary, Middle & High School students. This authorization allows students <18 years of age to purchase monthly passes for the same exact cost.

**Current Fee:** Students < 18 years      \$30 for 3 month pass (Jun- Aug)

**Proposed Fee:** End Summer Pass

**Revenue Gain:** \$0

## City of Asheville 2011/2012 Proposed Fees & Charges

**DEPARTMENT:** Transportation/Transit Fund

**SERVICE NAME:** Social Service Agency Pass

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** Asheville Transit along with the COA's Homeless Initiative are recommending that Social Service agencies be permitted to purchase ticket books and passes for discount prices. Social Service agencies have limited budgets for transportation expenses for their clients, this also limited their ability to meet the needs of their clients and their particular agency goals. By providing all Social Service agencies with discount prices, Transit does not expect a loss in revenue. It is our understanding that these agencies would simply be able to buy more transit passes & tickets. With this increase, Asheville Transit would expect an increase in ridership which will fill unused capacity on existing bus routes. The request would also provide an additional institutional purchasing option. Currently, Asheville Transit has the Passport Program for Universities and employers. This new institutional pass would be for Social Service agencies. It would allow them to purchase the ticket Books, monthly passes, & annual passes for the discounted cost that is currently available to qualifying individuals (seniors, individuals with disabilities, students ages 6-19). The institutions would purchase a desired number of tickets and/or passes and disseminate them to individuals based on their agencies determination.

<b>Fare</b>	<b>Approved</b>
Adult Cash fare	\$1.00
* Discount cash fare	\$0.50
Ticket booklet	\$9.00
* Discount Ticket booklet	\$4.50
Monthly Pass	\$20.00
* Discount Monthly Pass	\$10.00
Annual Pass	\$220.00
* Discount Annual Pass	\$110.00
<b>* Discount Fares are currently available to:</b> Seniors - 65 years of age and older Individuals with disabilities Medicare recipients Students ages 6-19.	

**Fee Proposal:** Add Social Service Agencies to the list above that are eligible for discount fares.

**Revenue Gain: \$0**

## **City of Asheville 2011/2012 Proposed Fees & Charges**

**DEPARTMENT:** Transportation/Parking Services Fund

**SERVICE NAME:** Civic Center Garage Fees

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** There has been no hourly rate increase at this garage in five years. The hourly rate increase will bring this garage up to the same price charged at other City owned garages. The general & the Vanderbilt monthly rates have not been increased in four years. There is a new fee requested to provide a discount on monthly parking for residents of the Battery Park Apartments similar to the existing discount for residents of the Vanderbilt Apartments.

### **Current Fee Schedule**

Hourly Rate	\$0.50
Monthly parking rate	\$70.00
Vanderbilt Apartment Residents (per month)	\$35.00
Battery Park Apartment Residents (per month)	\$35.00

### **Proposed Fee Schedule**

Hourly Rate	\$0.75
Monthly parking rate	\$80.00
Vanderbilt Apartment Residents (monthly)	\$40.00
Battery Park Apartment Residents (monthly)	\$40.00

**Revenue Gain: \$64,200**

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**DEPARTMENT:** Transportation/Parking Services Fund

**SERVICE NAME:** Rankin & Wall Street Garage Fees: Special Events

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** The changes to the single day and multi-day event rates at Rankin and Wall Street will bring the fees at those two garages in line with the fees at the Civic Center garage. The multi-day rate will be used at most five times a year with three of those days being Bele Chere.

**Current Fee Schedule**

Special Events	\$6.00
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**Proposed Fee Schedule**

Special Events (Single Day)	\$7.00
Special Events (Multi-Day)	\$5.00

**Revenue Gain: \$860**

## **City of Asheville 2011/2012 Proposed Fees & Charges**

**DEPARTMENT:** Transportation/Parking Services Fund

**SERVICE NAME:** Parking Lot Fee (Vanderbilt & Battery Park Residents)

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** This rate will parallel the discounts in the Civic Center Garage provided to residents of the Vanderbilt and Battery Park Apartments. It will provide a reasonably affordable place to park for citizens with low income. We believe this lower price may assist these residents with parking now that they have to activate meters while parking with handicapped placards.

**Current Fee:** None

**Proposed Fee:** \$27.50

**Additional Revenue from Fee Change:** \$4,000

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